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Breaking News!

Possible 1943S Bronze Cent Origin Explained

by Dr. Sol Taylor and Charles D. Daughtrey

On February 20, 2006, SLCC President Dr. Sol Taylor received an email that could quite possibly change our understanding of the 1943 San Francisco minted bronze cents and how they were made.

A gentleman by the name of David Reis sent Dr. Taylor a recollection of stories told to him by his father, Samuel C. Reis, along with an image of a card that shows Reis to have been an employee of the San Francisco Mint in 1943.

Through an exchange of email between the two, the story you are reading developed. The initial email sent by David Reis, the son, is printed below (with permission):

The reason I am contacting you is to recite some stories my father told me about when he worked at the San Francisco mint in the summer of 1943. These stories are related to 1943 copper pennies that came from the San Francisco mint. I am interested in your estimation of the credibility of these stories.

My father was a 16-year-old high school student in San Francisco in 1943. Because of the wartime shortage of adult labor the superintendent of the San Francisco mint offered summer jobs to high school students. My father was one of the high school students in 1943 that had a job at the San Francisco mint. The superintendent only let high school students work on the penny and nickel presses (apparently because he didn't trust them with higher value coins). My father was assigned work on the penny presses (perhaps the only student that worked on the penny presses).

One summer day the owner of a gas station that was across from the mint came over to the mint with a hand full of nickel slugs (actually nickel planchets) that he retrieved from the Coke machine at his gas station. The superintendent immediately fired all the high school students that worked on the nickel presses. My father was not fired because he worked on the penny presses.

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President's Message

It is not often that SLCC gets a breaking news story. See the details of the story from Mr. Reis, the son of a 1943 San Francisco Mint worker who sheds some new light on the possible origin of the 1943S bronze cents.

The progress on the 5th edition of The Standard Guide to the Lincoln Cent is going well. See the report by Editor Charles Daughtrey.

Due to various family obligations, I am not going to the ANA convention in Denver nor the summer seminar in Colorado Springs--two weddings and a new grandchild to visit.

A favorite activity of mine is to either hand some obsolete coins--such as dateless buffalo nickels--to some youngsters at the show. At the recent Long Beach show, I salted some coins in the junior table where kids get to pick five coins of their choice for free. At the last ANA show I handed some youngsters a few steel cents and they were absolutely thrilled. Imagine getting coins their grandparents used to see in change! My son at age 25 found a couple of wheat cents and was quite excited about it. Imagine what 10-12 year olds think about finding a wheat cent in change. I imagine it was similar to how I felt as a kid finding Indian head cents in change.

Remember, the future of coin collecting is in the hands and minds of kids today who will be adult collectors tomorrow. Give them a germ to build on. A birthday gift of a Morgan dollar or a proof set would be one way to set the path for the future.

Dr. Sol Taylor
President, SLCC

Fifth Edition Update

The new 5th edition of the Standard Guide to the Lincoln Cent is currently in editing phase, and is undergoing a complete facelift and transformation. The new edition will be sharper in terms of photo quality and print quality. There will be far more images, computerized page layout, as well as many additions especially of items that have occurred since the fourth edition's release--such as the certification of the 1974 aluminum cent by ICG, and many record auction prices realized for higher end Lincoln cents.

Release date for the new edition is scheduled for the beginning of June, 2006. We expect that the publisher, Zyrus Press, of California, will have the book printed and ready for distribution by the middle of July, 2006.

For the most current status on this edition's release status, e-mail SLCC at SLCC3@aol.com.

Lincolns in the News

AOL did a recent survey on our habits regarding the penny. They claim 80% of people will pick up a stray cent. Our observations don't support that finding. Kids especially not only ignore pennies on the ground but often toss them away. Another finding was that more than half the people hoard pennies while some 40% accumulate them and then spend them. A few people avoid them altogether. Some people even refuse a penny in change. CoinStar (the coin changing machine company) reports 84% of its users are women and that the average household has about $100 in change--mostly pennies. Some 10 billion cents reside in personal containers nationwide.

Membership Report

The following members have been added since our last issue:

John Scott	Indiana	R1627*
Brad Loercher	Pennsylvania	R1629
Michael Miller	Oregon	R1630
Frank Leone	New York	R1631
Michael Bozak	New York	R1632
Michael J. Johnson	Wisconsin	R1633

Welcome and enjoy.

* Member number R1627 was incorrectly assigned to a Bob Gillum. Our error, member Ted Gillum R1476 was incorrectly listed as a new member, Bob Gillum, in our last issue. Sorry Ted.

Members whose membership expiration date is shown on the label of 09/05 (or older) either have been dropped from our mailing list or have been given a final notice to renew. The little pink slip is a reminder to renew. Prompt renewal is sincerely appreciated.

(**Bronze**, continued from front cover)

My father said that one day he came across a "hand full" of copper penny planchets (I never asked him exactly were he found them). He said that he didn't tell anyone that he found them and that he threw them in with the steel planchets being fed to the penny press. He said the he retrieved five or six of the copper pennies and brought them home to give to his mother.

My father told me these stories in 1960 when I was ten years old. Of course I immediately asked my grandmother (my father's mother) if she still had the 1943 pennies. She had no memory of my father giving her any pennies in 1943
(17 years earlier). I asked her if she would look for them (I collected pennies at that time). I don't know if she ever looked for them or not, but whenever I asked her if she found them, she said she had not.

My father passed away on March 2, 2005. Going through his papers I found a card that identified my father as an employee of the U. S. Mint, San Francisco California. It is signed in blue ink by P J Haggerty
(Superintendent) and has the number "481" (for employee number). My father 's signature is on the opposite side ("Samuel C. Reis" although his name was actually "Charles Samual Reis").

My father's sister lived with her parents after the death of her husband in 1970. Sometime after that my father and his sister stopped communicating. My father's father and mother passed away in 1983 and 1985 and my father's sister took possession of all their property. My father's sister passed away on April 26, 2005. Going through my aunt's estate I did not find any 1943 pennies (copper or steel).

In your article "The Famous 1943 Copper Cents"
(http://www.scvhistory.com/scvhistory/signal/coins/sg061105-coins.htm) you state "today the total number of verified pieces (1943 copper pennies) stands at 15 from the Philadelphia Mint, four or five from the San Francisco Mint, and one so far from the Denver Mint."

Cybercoins' FAQ, Question # 4 "I have a penny that looks like it was made from silver or steel -- it is dated 1943. Is this the really valuable one I heard about on the radio?"
(http://store.cybercoins.net/cybercoinsfaq1.html#I%20have%20a%20penny%20that%20looks%20like)
states the number of 1943 pennies minted were "684,628,670 in Philadelphia, 217,660,000 in Denver, and 191,550,000 in San Francisco." These numbers

(see **Bronze**, continued on page 11)

Mail Bid Sale #129 --- closing date - April 26, 2006

Submit your bids early--in the case of a tie, the earlier bid wins. You may submit bids by e-mail to SolTaylor@aol.com or mail in the enclosed bid sheet. Include a daytime phone number or e-mail address.

LOT	Description
	San Bernardino Consignment
1	Roll (50 coins) of Indian Head cents 1883-1907, most G4-G6, few AG. Full dates and rims. Wholesale minimum $1 per coin.
2	Roll (50 coins) of Indian Head cents 1900-1909, mostly G4-G6, few VGs, couple AGs. Minimum wholesale $50 per roll.
3	1909 VDB XF45, 1910 MS64BN, 1911 XF45, 1912 VF
4	1913S VF20
5	1914D KEY VG10 full wheats, porous both sides from sand or salt water, dark surface. Worth $75-$85.
6	Six coins: 1915D XF45, 1916 XF40, 1916D XF40, 1917 XF45, 1918 XF45, 1919 XF45.
7	Foursome: 1919D XF45, 1919S XF45, 1920 XF40, 1922D XF/AU.
8	Foursome: 1924D VG10, 1925 XF45, 1925S XF45, 1926 MS63BN.
9	Foursome: 1926D XF40, 1926S XF40, 1927 MS63BN, 1928 MS63RD.
10	Five coins: 1928D XF45, 1928S XF45, 1929 XF45, 1929D XF45, 1929S MS63RD cleaned, net MS60.
11	Trio: 1930 MS65RD, 1930D MS63BN, 1930S MS63RD light cleaning.
12	Trio: 1931 XF45, 1931D XF40, **1931S KEY DATE XF40**
13	Five Coins: 1932D AU50, 1933 XF45 cleaned, 1933D XF40, 1934 MS63RD, 1934D MS65RD.
14	Six coins: 1935 MS63RB, 1935D MS63BN, 1935S MS65RD, 1936 P, D, S XF-AU
15	Nine coins: 1937 XF45, 1937D MS65RD, 1937S MS63RB, 1938 MS64RB, 1938D MS65RD, 1938S XF45, 1939 P, D, S XF-AU, 1939S MS66RD GEM.
16	Seven U.S. Memorial cent sets (photo on page 9) 1959 P, D-1964P, D + 1957D MS64RD-MS65RD.
17	Two U.S. Cent type sets in cardboard holders (photo on page 9). BU 1943, 1957D, 1965 + Indian Head Cent F15. The slots with the flying eagle and large cent are cardboard. Four coins per set.
18	Three U.S. mint sealed cents (2000P), (photo on page 9)
19	Four Indians: 1881 Fine, 1884 VF, 1887 XF, 1888 VF.
20	Four Indians: 1889 XF+, 1889 VG, 1890 F, 1893 F.
21	Four Indians: 1893 VG+, 1893 VF, 1894 G, 1896 VF
22	Five Indians: 1898 XF+, 1898 VF, 1899 XF, 1901 XF, 1902 XF

San Bernardino Consignment *(continued)*	
23	four Indians: 1903 AU50, 1905 XF, 1907 XF+, 1908 XF+
24	Five Lincolns: 1916 XF, 1919S VF, 1919S XF, 1920 AU, 1925S VF30
25	Four coins: 1927D XF, 1928 AU50, 1928S Large S XF, 1929 XF
26	Six coins: 1930 XF, 1930 MS63BN, 1930D XF, 1930S XF, 1930S XF, 1930S AU50
27	Trio: 1931 XF, 1932D XF, 1934D MS64RD
28	Six coins: 1935 MS65RD (2x), 1935 MS66RD GEM, 1937 MS65RD (2x), 1937S AU55
29	Four coins: 1938 AU, 1938D MS64RB (2x), 1938 S/S/S RPM#2 MS64RD
30	Four coins: 1939 AU, 1939 MS64RD, 1939 MS65RD, 1939D MS64RD
31	Nine coins: 1940D MS64RB, 1941 MS65RD, 1941D MS65RD, 1941S MS65RD (3x), 1941S MS66RD (2x)
32	Six coins: 1942 MS65RD (2x), 1942D MS64RD (2x), 1942S MS65RD, 1944 MS65RD
33	Eight coins: 1944 MS64RD, 1944D MS64RD (2x), 1944S MS65RD (2x), 1945PDS-Each MS64RD.
34	Eight coins: 1946 MS64RD (3x), 1946D MS64RD (3x), 1946S MS65RD (2x)
35	Ten coins: 1947 MS65RD (4x), 1947D MS65RD (2x), 1947S MS64-65RD (4x)
36	Four coins: 1948 MS65RD (2x), 1948D&S MS65RD
37	Trio: 1949 PDS all MS65RD
38	Seven coins: 1950 (3x), 1950D (3x), 1950S all MS65RD
39	Seven coins: 1951, 1951D (2x), 1951S, 1952 PDS - All MS65RD
40	Five coins: 1953, 1953D (2x), 1953S (2x) - All MS65RD
41	Five coins: 1954 MS64RD (2x), 1954D, S MS65RD, 1955 MS65RD
Chicago Consignment	
42	Short Roll (47pcs) 1960P small date (all MS65RD)

Los Angeles Consignment	
43	1984S PCGS PR69DCAM, as nice as you can get under $800
44	1986S PCGS PR69DCAM, nice as any PR70DCAM.
45	1987S PCGS PR69DCAM, great buy for under $800.
46	2004S PR69DCAM (not slabbed) 2 coins.
47	Whitman Folder Vol. 1: 14 coins: G-F, 1915, 1917D, 1917S, 1918D, 1919S, 1920S, 1921, 1921S, 1925D, 1925S, 1926S, 1927D, 1929S, 1932D XF. Good starter set.

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Long Beach Consignment	
48	1917D AU55 Faint RB toning + 1917S AU brassy finish net grade XF45
49	1921S 10 pieces VG-F
50	1992S PCGS PR69DCAM. A point more and it's $800.
51	1993S PCGS PR69DCAM. None Nicer - even the 70s.
52	1994S PCGS PR69DCAM - complete the set of top gems!
53	1995S PCGS PR69DCAM - more gems
54	1997S PCGS PR69DCAM - gemmy
55	1998S PCGS PR69DCAM - A point shy of $800.
Ohio Consignment	
56	Long time collection in 7 page Dansco bookshelf album, total 243 coins: 1909 G, 1909VDB MS65RD, 1910PS-1918S (no 1914D) G-F, 1919 MS64RD, 1919DS-1929PDS Avg. Circ. (no 1922D, 1922 plain, 1924D), 1926 MS64RB, 1931 MS63RB, 1931D F, (no 1931S), 1932 PD-1942S All MS64-65RD, some RB, 1943PDS AU, 1944PDS-1958PD all MS65RD, 1959D-2005PD All BU RD (not complete in last page). PROOFS: 1960Lg, 1962, 1968S, 1970S Lg, 1971S, 1975S, 1976S, 1977S, 1982S DCAM, 1991S DCAM, 1996S DCAM, the 8th page is from a Whitman bookshelf album with 18 BU and proof coins 1996-2005, missing 8 key dates and several late dates. Weighs almost 3 pounds.
57	Harco 3 page album with avg. circs. 1909VDB, 1910, 1915D, 1916, 1917D, 1918, 1919, 1919S, 1920, 1929, 1930, 1935D, 1935S, 1936D, 1936S, 1937D, 1937S, 1938S, 1940D, 1941PDS, 1942DS, 1943, 1945D, 1946PD, 1947S, 1948DS, 1949S, 1950S, 1951DS, 1952S, 1953DS, 1954S, 1956D, 1957D, 1958D. Plus 6 varieties (AU-BU) of the 1982 cent. 44 wheats + the six 1982 cents.
58	Three virtually unused near-new Red Books: 1971, 1974, and 1983. Will be shipped media rate to the successful bidder.

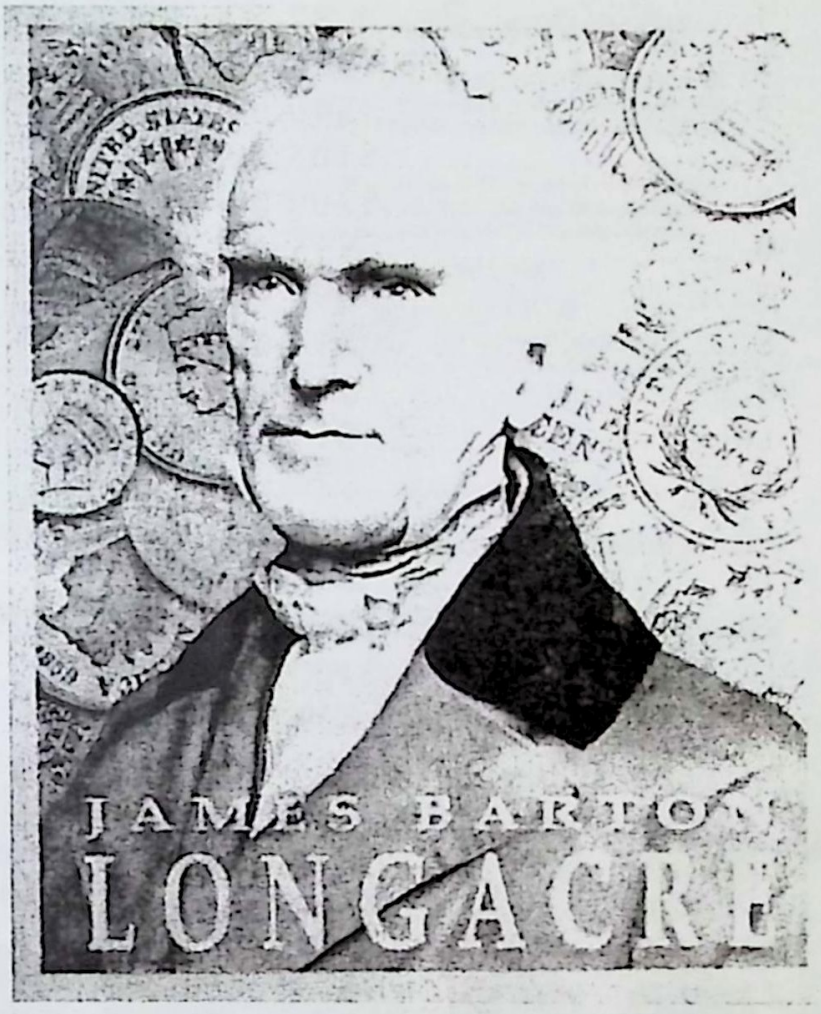
End of Mail Bid Sale #129. Mail your bids early or send your bids by email to SolTaylor2@aol.com.

It might be time to start pulling 95% copper cents (pre-1983) out of your change and saving them. With copper going up in value to twice face value, smelting is probably going to be on the rise. This could create premium value for these coins in the near future. Save now before they go up in value! Remember at one point wheat cents had no premium value!

Longacre Portrait Completed

Continuation of a Series of Coin Designer Portraits by C. D. Daughtrey

Third in a series of coin designer portraits, James Barton Longacre, 11x14 pencil on 300 lb bristol board, was completed by author/ artist Charles D. Daughtrey on January 28, 2006. Other designers included in the series to date are Victor D. Brenner (see story in the January 2006 issue of the SLCC Quarterly), Augustus Saint Gaudens, and John Flanagan, the designer of the Washington quarter.



Daughtrey states that the Longacre drawing is the most challenging and rewarding work of art he has done to date. The coins covering the background took some three weeks to complete and offer a nice backdrop to the portrait of this historic mint engraver.

After beginning this work, Whitman Books publisher Dennis Tucker contacted Daughtrey about including the drawing in an upcoming book by author and Indian Head cent expert Richard Snow entitled, "A Guide Book of Flying Eagle and Indian Head Cents." The book is due for release in April, 2006. The portrait drawn by Daughtrey is in the frontispiece of the book.

Ecstatic about the recognition being received by his art work, Daughtrey says he will be continuing the series of engravers. Next in the series will be Hermon MacNeil, the designer of the Standing Liberty Quarter. Other subjects will eventually include Charles Barber, George Morgan, Adolf Weinman, Frank Gasparro, Felix Schlag, and others. Daughtrey wants to include all of the designers for which there are images by the time he draws a close to the series.

To purchase a print of this work or see other numismatic related art work Daughtrey has done, visit his website at www.cdaughtrey.com.

Mail Bid Sale #128 results

Results from our mail bid sale that ended October 26, 2005.

lot	sold
1	$7.50
2	$24.25
3	$40.00
4	$165.00
5	$200.00
6	$35.00
7	$290.00
8	$32.00
9	$75.00
10	$99.00
11	$20.00
12	$240.00
13	$40.00
14	$56.00
15	$123.00
16	$23.00
17	$27.00
18	$10.50
19	$18.00
20	$8.00
21	$50.00
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24	$28.75
25	$25.75
26	$35.00
27	$35.00
28	$35.00
29	$5.25
30	$28.25
31	nb
32	nb
33	$17.00
34	$5.00
35	$12.50
36	$4.25t
37	$4.25t
38	$5.00
39	$14.00t
40	$15.00
41	$24.00
42	$36.00
43	14.00
44	$10.00

nb = no bid t = tie bid

There were 24 bidders and no late bids received. Lots 7, 10, and 12 generated 7 bids each. Thanks to our bidders and consignors. Our consignments have been improving in both number of lots and quality items--though all range items are welcome. High on the wanted lists:

* Off-center Lincoln cents with full date in BU.
* Matte proofs - all or any PR61-63 grades.
* VF or XF 1917 doubled die.
* Any of the 1936 doubled dies in MS63-64RD or certified 65RD
* Indian Head cent errors--off-center, broadstruck, clips, brockages
* 1873 doubled die obverse Indian Head cent - VF-AU certified.

images of lots from the current mail bid sale (sale #129). Shown in order from top to bottom are lots 18 (1 of 3 items), 16 (1 of 7 items) and 17 (1 of 2 items).

Certificate of Authenticity

This is to certify that the United States Mint at its Philadelphia, Pennsylvania facility – the largest coin manufacturing plant in the world, produced the enclosed coin(s).

Your 2000-dated coin is one of the first 10,000,000 to be produced by the Mint and has been packaged by Cheerios as a special memento of the new millennium.

Philip N. Diehl
Director, United States Mint

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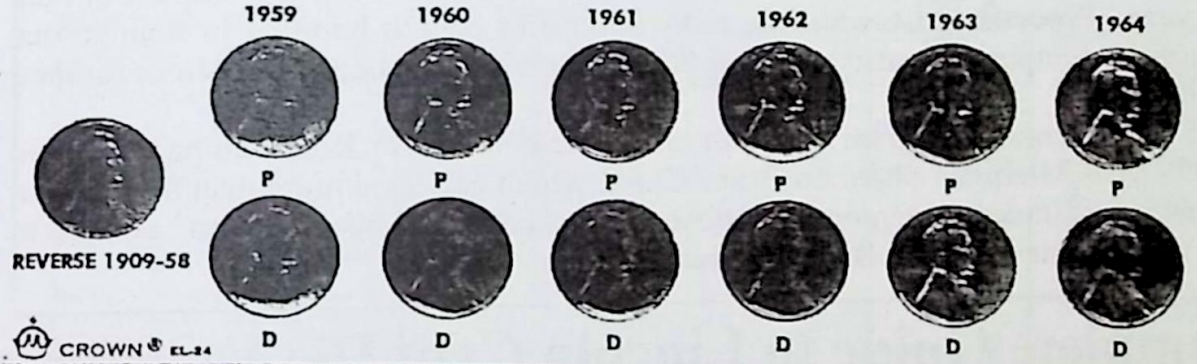
LINCOLN MEMORIAL REVERSE: FRANK GASPARRO WAS THE DESIGNER OF THE LINCOLN CENT REVERSE SIDE SHOWING THE "LINCOLN MEMORIAL". THIS WAS INTRODUCED IN 1959 ON THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF LINCOLN'S BIRTH.



ACC: Save our pennies!

Reprinted from the ACC Penny Press. Mark Weller responds to WSJ editorial.

In a letter to the editor of The Wall Street Journal, published January 11, 2006, Mark Weller, Executive Director of Americans for Common Cents (ACC), urged N. Gregory Mankiw to consider the impact that eliminating the penny will have on our economy. Mankiw, formerly one of President George W. Bush's economic advisers, wrote a recent editorial that called for Congress to, among other initiatives, end production of the penny.

In his response, Weller points out that research conducted by a former Federal Reserve economist shows that rounding transactions to the nearest nickel would often result in higher prices rounded to the nickel. Consumers would be hit with a "rounding tax" totalling hundreds of millions of dollars annually.

As surveys over the past decade indicate, the majority of Americans are in favor of keeping the penny in circulation. The penny remains not only popular, but also vital to the American economy.

Birth Pennies

Reprinted from the ACC Penny Press

The Birth Pennies program is a charitable effort that provides a birthday keepsake to those who make a donation to Grace Centers of Hope, a shelter for homeless men, women and children in Pontiac, MI. The program benefits the Center's Women & Children's Programs.

Those who make a $5 donation to the Centers will receive a penny minted in their birth year. Proceeds go toward the renovation of a church building in Pontiac that will provide temporary housing to over 75 mothers trying to build better lives for their families.

The Birth Pennies program is a spin off of the Pennies for Kids Campaign started by 1999 Miss Michigan Shannon Grace Clark, which collected more than five million pennies in just under three months. Those pennies have now been "reborn" as a gift to those who donate $5 to the Birth Pennies program.

Complete Guide to Lincoln Cent Die Varieties

SLCC newsletter editor and author of "Looking Through Lincoln Cents," Charles D. Daughtrey has released the second packet of pages for his Complete Guide to Lincoln Cent Die Varieties. Although behind schedule in progress, the book is in production and is being released in "packets" of pages bimonthly.

This guide, when complete, will contain nearly 2,500 pages of die variety information for the Lincoln Cent specialist--a guide like no other published in history. The finished guide will take nearly four years to produce, but when finished will be a complete attribution guide collectors can use to identify all of the die varieties they have collected or found.

The Complete Guide to Lincoln Cent Die Varieties is being sold on a subscription basis to make it less expensive to the collector. It is being published much like a magazine, except that the pages are unbound and hole drilled for sorting into a three-ring binder. Subscription cost is $49.95 per year.

For complete information and a progress report on the book, visit the author's website at www.coppercoins.com.

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are consistent with the 1.1 billion total number of 1943 pennies Ray Hanisco stated were minted at all three mints in his article "The 1943 Copper Penny"
(http://www.bellaonline.com/articles/art29297.asp).

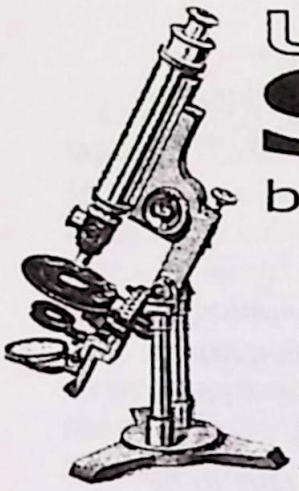
Based on the above numbers 63% of all 1943 pennies were minted in Philadelphia, 20% in Denver and 18% in San Francisco. If all conditions were equal at these three mints in 1943, then one would expect the number of
1943 copper pennies made by these mints and found from these mints to be approximately the same as the percent each mint made. However, from the numbers in your article 71% of found 1943 copper pennies were minted in Philadelphia, 5% in Denver and 24% in San Francisco.

It seems to me that number of 1943 copper pennies that have been found from the San Francisco mint is disproportionately high (compared to the number found from the Denver mint). This could indicate that someone at the San Francisco mint deliberately caused the 1943 copper pennies to be struck. It would be interesting to know whom caused that, if in fact that was the case.

Dr. Taylor responded to the email by requesting additional information that could substantiate the stories and explaining the story of the bronze 1943 cents as it is known to date. Reis replied by sending images of a number of documents containing his late father's signature, one of which was a cardboard identification card issued by the San Francisco Mint in 1943. The images of the card have been examined and are believed to be genuine.

To date, investigation continues into the plausibility of the stories relayed by Mr. Reis. The fact that there are five known 1943S bronze cents matches the story that five had been made and given to a relative. Further supporting the story is the fact that the first known sale of a 1943S bronze cent was in 1973, 30 years after their production. This means that it is plausible that Samuel Reis' mother may have been in posession of all examples for a number of years before they were lost or spent without knowledge to their rarity or value. If they had been released into general circulation directly from the mint in 1943, it is likely that sales would have surfaced very shortly after their production.

At any rate, SLCC will continue to look into the story and will continue to gather information and report their findings in a later issue of the SLCC Quarterly.



under the SCOPE

by Charles D. Daughtrey, NLG

2006 has started off with a bang! Coppercoins.com forum member Robert Tingle discovered one, then another, then even more different 2006P doubled die cents from sealed boxes of rolls. So far he and other collectors have discovered a grand total of five different 2006P cent doubled die obverses. These discoveries are so fresh, it is likely that by the time you read this they will have discovered at least another one. Most of the discoveries were made during March, 2006, and were recently featured in Coin World magazine.

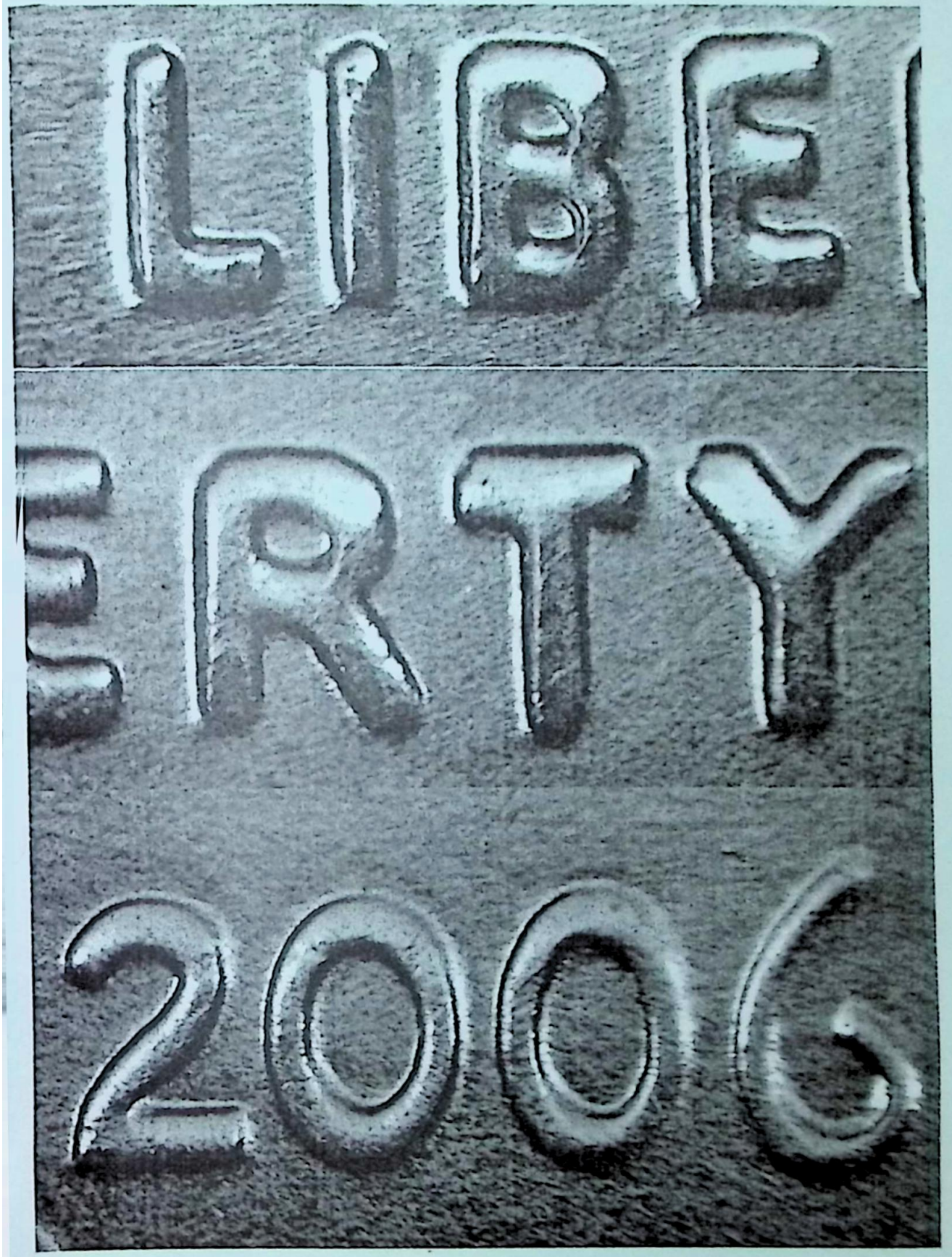
These cents show very nice evidence that the single squeeze method of die making (introduced in 1997) has not ended the era of doubled dies. In fact, it seems to even be increasing the number of different doubled dies, although their individual intensity is usually quite minor.

This one is no exception, but is one of the nicest single-squeeze doubled die obverse cents discovered to date. It shows very nice notching at the corners of the letters of LIBERTY, extra thickness throughout the head, and evidence of distortion and notching in the date.

Other doubled dies from different single-squeeze years have been discovered that appear similar in characteristics to this one, namely 2001P, 2004P, and 2005P, but none of them are as noticeable as this one.

This die has been added to the U.S. Coin Variety die listing system on coppercoins.com as 2006P-1DO-001. All the other 2006P doubled dies discovered to date have also been added to the site. Enjoy!

Under the Scope is a quarterly editorial written by Charles D. Daughtrey, author of Looking Through Lincoln Cents and coppercoins.com. You can contact Charles via email at cd@coppercoins.com.



2006P-1DO-001, a very recent discovery by Robert Tingle, shows notching in the northwest corners of the letters in LIBERTY and an odd form of distortion in the date. Not shown, this die also shows extra thickness throughout the bust, especially in the hair and beard.

Society of Lincoln Cent Collectors

Mail Bid Sale Rules (revised 03/05)

Consignor's Rules:

1. Consignors must be members of SLCC.
2. Lots must be small cents--sets, rolls, singles, albums.
3. Coins must be marked as to date, mintmark and grade.
4. No altered, counterfeit, damaged, or loose coins accepted.
5. An invoice listing every item for sale must accompany the coins.
6. Coins will be listed in an upcoming sale--space permitting.
7. Lots containing many duplicates can be split between sales.
8. Payment will be made within 45 days after the close of the sale.
9. Unsold lots marked with a reserve will be charged 10% of the reserve to the consignor.
10. Unsold lots can be listed in future sales if consignor agrees.

Bidder's Rules:

1. Bidders must be members of SLCC.
2. Bids must be in increments of 25c, 50c, or whole dollars.
3. All lots are open except those marked with a reserve or minimum bid.
4. Use the enclosed bid sheet or duplicate. Bids may also be submitted by e-mail to soltaylor2@aol.com.
5. Bids must arrive before the deadline. Late bids will not be accepted.
6. No "open" bids accepted.
7. Bidders bidding on their own lots will be charged 5% if not overbid.
8. Bid sheets or e-mails must include: daytime phone number and bidder's signature along with mailing address.
9. Bidders are responsible for their own errors. Write legibly.
10. There is a 5 day return privilege--except for slabbed coins, coins certified by a third party grading service, or coins received more than ten days previously. Coins submitted for certification cannot be returned unless marked "altered" or "counterfeit." "Cleaning" does not qualify as "altered."
11. Bidders will be charged for shipping--insured or registered mail depending on value and packaging required for shipping. Shipping costs are not refundable if returning coins.
12. Subject to change without notice.